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FROM USDEL 141

CINCPAC ALSO FOR POLAD

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, RP

SUBJECT: PHILIPPINE BASE NEGOTIATIONS: PREAMBLE

1. ROMUALDEZ AND I HAVE AGREED, AD REFERENDUM, ON A DRAFT WHICH RECONCILES DIFFERENCES IN U.S. AND PHIL VERSIONS OF PREAMBLE. FROM U.S. POINT OF VIEW, MY PRIMARY OBJECTIVE WAS TO INCLUDE REFERENCE TO MUTUAL DEFENSE TREATY OF 1951. FROM PHIL POINT OF VIEW, HIS PRIMARY OBJECTIVE WAS TO EMPHASIZE THE "DEFENSIVE" NATURE OF OUR DEPLOYMENTS IN THE PHILIPPINES.

2. WE HAVE SUCCEEDED IN ACHIEVING U.S. OBJECTIVE BY A VERY FIRM REFERENCE TO THE MDT. WE HAVE ACCOMMODATED HIS BY BORROWING LANGUAGE FROM THE 175 FORD-MARCOS COMMUNIQUE
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INDICATING THAT OUR AGREEMENT "IS NOT DIRECTED AGAINST

ANY OTHER NATION."

3. THE WORD "FACILITIES" IN THE SIXTH PARAGRAPH IS UNDERSTOOD TO BE SPELLED WITH A CAPITAL "F" IN THE U.S. VIEW, WHILE IT IS SPELLED WITH A SMALL "F" IN THE PHILIPPINE VIEW. THE FINAL SPELLING WILL BE DETERMINED BY CONFORMITY WITH WHATEVER IS EVENTUALLY AGREED IN ARTICLE II OF THE AGREEMENT.

4. WORD "BELIEVING" IN SIXTH PARAGRAPH IS SOMEWHAT OBTUSE, BUT WHEN I SUGGESTED "ENDORSING," OR SOMETHING SIMILAR, ROMUALDEZ SAID IT WOULD NOT RPT NOT BE STRONG ENOUGH. HE SAID HE WISHED TO RECORD FACT THAT PHILS DID "BELIEVE" IN THESE ARRANGEMENTS. IN THE LIGHT OF THIS EVANGELICAL ARGUMENT, I HAVE ACCEPTED ITS USE.

5. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT THIS TEXT, IF APPROVED BY WASHINGTON AND BY GOP, WILL BE VALID CONTINGENT UPON THE ULTIMATE ACCEPTABILITY OF THE TOTAL TEXT OF THE AGREEMENT.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: REQUEST AUTHORITY TO INFORM ROMUALDEZ THAT U.S. AGREES TO REVISED VERSION OF PREAMBLE, WHICH READS AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE: THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

REITERATING THEIR CONTINUING COMMITMENT TO THE PURPOSES AND PRINCIPLES OF THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND THEIR STEDADFAST DESIRE TO LIVE IN PEACE WITH ALL NATIONS,

SHARING A DEEP AND ABIDING CONCERN FOR THE SECURITY AND WELL BEING OF BOTH NATIONS AND FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF PEACE AND STABILITY IN SOUTHEAST ASIA AND THE WESTERN PACIFIC AREA,

STANDING FIRM IN THEIR RESOLVE TO PURSUE THE OBJECTIVES AND FULFILL THEIR OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE MUTUAL DEFENSE TREATY OF 1951,
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RECOGNIZING THAT THE STRENGTHENING OF THE FOUNDATIONS FOR A PROSPEROUS AND PEACEFUL COMMUNITY OF NATIONS ENTAILS BOTH ECONOMIC AND SECURITY UNDERTAKINGS,

BELIEVING IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SECURITY AND DEFENSE ARRANGEMENTS, WHICH INCLUDE THE USE BY UNITED STATES MILITARY FORCES OF FACILITIES WITHIN CERTAIN PHILIPPINE

MILITARY BASES, PREMISED ON FULL RESPECT FOR THE SOVEREIGNTY,
DIGNITY, AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF EACH NATION,

EMPHASIZING THAT THIS AGREEMENT IS INTENDED TO DEFEND
AND PRESERVE THE INDEPENDENCE OF THEIR TWO NATIONS AND IS
NOT DIRECTED AGAINST ANYOTHER NATION,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS; END QUOTE.
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